Michigan Department of Treasury 496 (02/06) Auditing Procedures Report

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2.	X							unit's unreserved fund bala budget for expenditures.	ances/unrestr	ricted net assets		
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4.	X		The local	unit has a	dopted a budg	et for all	required funds					
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7.	×		The local	unit has r	not been delind	uent in d	listributing tax	revenues that were collect	ed for anothe	er taxing unit.		
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11.		X	The local	unit is free	e of repeated of	comments	s from previous	s years.				
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15.	X		To our kn	owledge,	bank reconcilia	ations tha	t were reviewe	ed were performed timely.				
If a local unit of government (authorities and commissions included) is operating within the boundaries of the audited entity and is not included in this or any other audit report, nor do they obtain a stand-alone audit, please enclose the name(s), address(es), and a description(s) of the authority and/or commission. I, the undersigned, certify that this statement is complete and accurate in all respects.												
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CLAYBANKS TOWNSHIP OCEANA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2007

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Township Board Claybanks Township Oeana County, Michigan

Independent Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Claybanks Township as of and for the year ended March 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Townships' management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Claybanks Township, Michigan as of March 31, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 3 through 4 and 22 through 23, are not a required part of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Claybanks Township, Michigan's basic financial statements. The individual fund statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The individual fund financial statements have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Hendon & Slate, P.C.

Hendon & Slate

Certified Public Accountants

August 3, 2007

CLAYBANKS TOWNSHIP MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS March 31, 2007

Using this Annual Report

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Governmental Wide Statement of Net Assets and the Government Wide Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the Township as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Township's finances. Fund financial statements tell how these services were financed in the short-term, as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Township's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements.

The Township as a Whole

The Township's total net assets remained strong, increasing over \$34,000. The main reason why revenues have exceeded expenditures over that period. The table below shows a comparision between March 31, 2006 and March 31, 2007.

	Govern Activ		Busines	ss Ty vities	•	Total Primary Government				
	3/31/2007	3/31/2006	3/	31/2007		31/2006	3/	/31/2007		/31/2006
Current Assets Noncurrent Assets	\$ 180,839 10,534	\$ 150,733 8,316	\$	15,115 28,513	\$	14,153 29,384	\$	195,954 39,047	\$	164,886 37,700
Total Assets	\$ 191,373	\$ 159,049	\$	43,628	\$	43,537	\$	235,001	\$	202,586
Current Liabilities	\$ 1,748	\$ 3,533	\$	_	\$	_	\$	1,748	\$	3,533
Net Assets Invested in Capital Asset	s									
- Net of Debt	\$ 10,534	\$ 8,316	\$	28,513	\$	29,384	\$	39,047	\$	37,700
Unrestricted	178,913	147,200		15,115		14,153		194,028		161,353
Total Net Assets	\$ 189,447	\$ 155,516	\$	43,628	\$	43,537	\$	233,075	\$	199,053
Program Revenues										
Charges for Serv.	\$ 2,088	\$ 2,476	\$	37,215	\$	34,355	\$	39,303	\$	36,831
General Revenues	02 102	90,250						02 102		00.250
Property Taxes State Shared Rev.	93,102 56,701	90,230 56,124		-		-		93,102 56,701		90,250 56,124
Interest Income	1,600	1,137		127		122		1,727		1,259
Miscellaneous	5,214	4,236		271		134		5,485		4,370
Total Revenues	158,705	154,223		37,613		34,611		196,318		188,834
Program Expenses										
General Govt.	80,634	81,448		-		-		80,634		81,448
Public Safety	25,000	24,000		-		-		25,000		24,000
Public Works	6,272	10,040		-		-		6,272		10,040
Comm. & Econ.	9,111	7,787		-		-		9,111		7,787
Rec. & Culture	1,500	2,400		-		-		1,500		2,400
Other Functions	538	834		-		-		538		834
Unalloc. Deprec.	1,133	1,088		-		-		1,133		1,088
Park				37,522		34,594		37,522		34,594
Total Expenses	124,188	127,597		37,522		34,594		161,710		162,191
Change in Net Assets	\$ 34,517	\$ 26,626	\$	91	\$	17	\$	34,608	\$	26,643

Governmental Activities

The Township's total governmental revenues increased by approximately \$2,700 due to various sources.

Current year expenditures were approximately \$3,000 less than last year.

Currently Claybanks Township has no long-term debts or commitments for capital expenditures.

Business-Type Activities

The Park Fund has remained stable over the last couple of years. In March 2006 and March 2007 they have shown a small gain.

The Township's Funds

Our analysis of the Township's major funds follows the entity wide financial statements. The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds, not the Township as a whole. The Township Board creates funds to help manage money for specific purposes as well as to show accountability for certain activities, such as special property tax millages. The Township's major funds as of March 31, 2007 include the General Fund, Fire Fund, and Park Fund. There are no non-major funds.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the Township Board found it necessary to amend the budget to take into account events during the year. In the General Fund, the revenue and expenditure budget stayed about the same. No major changes were made.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

At March 31, 2007, the Township had \$89,095 invested in land, buildings, and equipment. In addition, the Township has invested to maintain roads within the Township. These road expenses are not considered capital expenditures and thus not reported in the Financial Statements as such. Michigan law treats these roads as the property of Oceana County Road Commission.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The Township's budget for 2007-2008 will be similar to 2006-2007 final amended budget. The Township has budgeted an increase in General Fund revenues of approximately \$2,200 over the 2006-2007 budget. The budget for expenditures has decreased by approximately \$34,400. The township has budgeted approximately a \$4,000 profit.

Contacting the Township's Management

This financial report is intended to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers and investors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to show the Township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, we welcome you to contact the Clerk's Office.

Government Wide Statement of Net Assets March 31, 2007

	Governmental Business-Type Activities Activities		al Primary vernment	
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash	\$ 172,206	\$	15,115	\$ 187,321
Accounts Receivable - Fiduciary Funds	1,178		-	1,178
Taxes Receivable	7,455		-	7,455
Property and Equipment	46,719		33,862	80,581
Accumulated Depreciation	(38,843)		(11,206)	(50,049)
Land	 2,658		5,857	 8,515
Total Assets	191,373		43,628	235,001
LIABILITIES				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	1,191		-	1,191
Due to Other Units	 149			 149
Total Current Liabilities	1,340		-	1,340
NET ASSETS				
Invested in Capital Assets				
Net of Related Debt	10,534		28,513	39,047
Unrestricted Net Assets	 179,499		15,115	 194,614
Total Net Assets	\$ 190,033	\$	43,628	\$ 233,661

Government Wide Statement of Activities March 31, 2007

			Program Revenues				Net (Expenses) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets Primary Government					
			Charges for		Operating or Grants and		Governmental				ent	
	E	xpenses		ervices		butions		ctivities		ctivities		Total
Primary Government		-F										
Governmental Activities:												
General Government	\$	80,634	\$	2,088	\$	-	\$	(78,546)	\$	-	\$	(78,546)
Public Safety		25,000		-		-		(25,000)		-		(25,000)
Public Works		6,272		-		-		(6,272)		-		(6,272)
Community and Econ. Dev.		9,111		-		-		(9,111)		-		(9,111)
Recreation and Culture		1,500		-		-		(1,500)		-		(1,500)
Other Functions		538		-		-		(538)		-		(538)
Unallocated Depreciation		1,133		-				(1,133)				(1,133)
Total Governmental Activities		124,188		2,088		-		(122,100)		-		(122,100)
Business-Type Activities:												
Park		37,521		37,215				_		(306)		(306)
Total Primary Government	\$	161,709	\$	39,303	\$			(122,100)		(306)		(122,406)
General Re	venu	es:										
Propert								93,102		_		93,102
-	•	d Revenue	e					56,701		_		56,701
Interest								1,600		126		1,726
Miscell	anec	ous						5,214		271		5,485
Total Gene	eral l	Revenues						156,617		397		157,014
Change	in N	et Assets						34,517		91		34,608
Net Assets - Beginning								155,516		43,537		199,053
Net As	ssets	- Ending					\$	190,033	\$	43,628	\$	233,661

Governmental Fund Balance Sheet March 31, 2007

					Total
General Fire			Gov	vernmental	
Fund]	Fund		Funds
\$	167,000	\$	5,206	\$	172,206
	4,960		2,495		7,455
	1,178		-		1,178
\$	173,138	\$	7,701	\$	180,839
	_		_		_
\$	1,191	\$	-	\$	1,191
	149		-		149
	1,340		-		1,340
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\$	173,138	\$	7,701	\$	180,839
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Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Assets For the Year Ended March 31, 2007

Total Governmental Fund Balances	\$ 179,499
Total net assets reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different from the amount reported as total governmental funds fund balance because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the fund statements. Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets:	
Governmental Capital Asset	49,377
Governmental Accumulated Depreciation	(38,843)
Total Net Assets - Governmental Activities:	\$ 190,033

Governmental Fund Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance March 31, 2007

						Total	
	General Fire			Gov	ernmental		
		Fund		Fund		Funds	
Revenues							
Property Taxes	\$	64,411	\$	28,691	\$	93,102	
State Grants		56,701		-		56,701	
Interest		1,600		-		1,600	
Licenses and Permits		2,088		-		2,088	
Miscellaneous		5,214				5,214	
Total Revenues		130,014		28,691		158,705	
Expenditures							
General Government		83,985		-		83,985	
Public Safety		-		25,000		25,000	
Public Works		6,272		-		6,272	
Community and Economic Development		9,111		-		9,111	
Recreation and Culture		1,500		-		1,500	
Other Functions		538				538	
Total Expenditures		101,406		25,000		126,406	
Excess Revenue Over (Under) Expenditures		28,608		3,691		32,299	
Fund Balance - Beginning		143,190		4,010		147,200	
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	171,798	\$	7,701	\$	179,499	

Reconciliation of Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended March 31, 2007

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 32,299
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
The acquisition of capital assets are reported in the governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities those costs are shown in the statement of net assets and allocated over their estimated useful lives as annual depreciation expense.	
Capital outlay reported in governmental fund statements Capital Outlay reported as expense in Statement of Activities Depreciation expense reported in the statement of Activities	 3,351 (1,133)
Changes in Net Assets - Governmental Activities	\$ 34,517

Proprietary Fund Statement of Net Assets - Park Fund March 31, 2007

	Park Fund
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 15,115
Noncurrent Assets	
Land	5,857
Buildings	33,862
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(11,206)
Total Noncurrent Assets	 28,513
Total Assets	\$ 43,628
NET ASSETS	
Invested in Capital Assets	28,513
Unrestricted	 15,115
Total Net Assets	\$ 43,628

Proprietary Fund Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets - Park Fund For the Year Ended March 31, 2007

	Park Fund
Operating Revenues	
Camping Permits	\$ 37,215
Miscellaneous	271_
Total Revenues	37,486
Operating Expenses	
Salaries and Wages	17,354
Payroll Taxes	1,308
Supplies	1,981
Security Guards	2,691
Dues and Permits	478
Transportation	233
Printing and Publishing	164
Insurance and Bonds	2,991
Utilities	3,500
Repairs and Maintenance	4,843
Bank Charges	549
Professional Services	558
Depreciation	871_
Total Operating Expenses	37,521
Operating Income (Loss)	(35)
Non-Operating Revenue (Expense)	
Interest Income	126
Change in Net Assets	91
Net Assets - Beginning	43,537
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 43,628

Proprietary Fund Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended March 31, 2007

		Park
		Fund
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Receipts from Customers	\$	37,215
Receipts from Miscellaneous		271
Payments for Employees		(18,661)
Payments for Other Operating Expenses		(17,989)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities		836
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Interest Income		126
Net Increase in Cash		962
Cash at Beginning of Year		14,153
Cash at End of Year	\$	15,115
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities Operating Income (Loss)	\$	(35)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activitie	S	
Depreciation Expense		871
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$	836

Statement of Net Assets - Fiduciary Funds March 31, 2007

	Tax Funds		
ASSETS Cash and Investments	\$	1,178	
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			
Liabilities Due to Other Units	\$	1,178	

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended March 31, 2007

NOTE A SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of Claybanks Township conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the significant policies used by Claybanks Township.

A. Reporting Entity

The reporting entity is a general law township as defined by the laws of the State of Michigan. The Township is governed by a Supervisor and Township Board.

As defined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) No. 14, the financial reporting entity consists of (1) the primary government, (2) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (3) other organizations for which the primary government is not accountable, but for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The primary government has financial accountability if it:

- 1. Appoints a voting majority of the organization's board, and, has the ability to impose its will on the organization; or
- 2. There is a potential for the component unit to provide certain financial benefits to, or impose certain financial burdens on, the primary government.

Based on this criteria, there are no other entities included in this report.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment.

Program revenues include: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment; and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenue.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter is excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized as soon as it is both measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be available if it is collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period, except for property taxes, which are recognized as revenue in the year incurred, as under accrual accounting. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, expenditures relating to compensated

Revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become susceptible to accrual, that is when they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the fiscal period.

1 Property Taxes Receivable

The Township property tax is levied on each December 1st on the taxable valuation of the property (as defined by state statutes) located in the Township as of the preceding December 31st. The taxes are due on September 14th and February 14th, with the final collection date of February 28th before they are added to the County tax rolls. The 2006 delinquent taxes of \$7,455 were not received as of March 31, 2007 and were therefore recorded as a receivable.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

The 2007 taxable valuation of the Township totaled \$44,908,898 on which ad valorem taxes levied consisted of 1.25 mills for general operating, and .6753 for fire operational. These amounts are recognized in the respective general and special revenue fund financial statements as current tax revenue.

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The Fire Fund accounts for the resources of property tax revenues and charges for services that are restricted for fire fighting operations.

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

The Park Fund accounts for the operating activities of the park.

Private-sector standards of accounting issued prior to December 1, 1989, are generally followed in the government-wide financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with the standards of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the governmentwide financial statements.

Amounts reported as program revenue include: (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided; (2) operating grants and contributions; and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenue rather than as program revenue. Likewise, general revenue includes all taxes.

Proprietary Funds distinguish operating revenue and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenue and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenue of our proprietary fund relates to charges to customers for services. Operating expenses for the proprietary fund include the cost of operating and maintaining the sewer system. All operating revenue and expenses not meeting this criteria are reported as non-operating revenue and expenses.

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity

<u>Bank Deposits and Investments</u> - Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when acquired. Investments are stated at fair value. Pooled investment income is generally allocated to each fund based on the cash balance in each fund.

<u>Receivables and Payables</u> - In general, outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds". Activity between funds that is representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as "advances to/from other funds".

<u>Inventories and Prepaid Items</u> - Payments for inventoriable types of supplies are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase. Normally expenditures are not divided between years by the recording of prepaid expenses. There were no material inventories at year end.

<u>Fund Equity</u> - Designations and reservations of fund balance and retained earnings represent amounts that are not appropriable or are legally segregated for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance exist in the General Fund for amounts to be spent on building improvements and equipment. Reservations of retained earnings exist in the Sewer Fund for debt service as these assets are reserved for redemption of long-term debt.

<u>Capital Assets</u> - Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$500 and an estimated useful life in excess of one years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

Property, plant and equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Buildings40 yearsBuilding Improvements15 yearsOffice Equipment5 yearsGeneral Equipment5 years

NOTE B STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

<u>Budgetary Information</u> - Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for all governmental funds. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end. The Township approves its originally adopted budget by the end of the current fiscal year. Amendments are approved periodically during the year.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

The budget document presents information by fund, activity, and line items. The legal level of budgetary control adopted by the governing body is the activity level.

The Township does not utilize encumbrance accounting.

Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations in Budgeted Funds - During the year, the Local Governmental Unit did not incur expenditures in which were materially in excess of the amounts appropriated.

NOTE C DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Michigan Compiled Laws, Section 129.91, authorizes the Township to make deposits and invest in the accounts of federally insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations which have an office in Michigan. The Township is allowed to invest in bonds, securities and other direct obligations of the United States or any agency or instrumentality of the United States; United States government or federal agency obligations; repurchase agreements; bankers' acceptance of United States banks; commercial paper rated within the two highest classifications which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; obligations of the State of Michigan or its political subdivisions which are rated as investment grade; and mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan.

The Township Board has designated Shelby State Bank for the deposit of Local Unit funds. The investment policy adopted by the board in accordance with Public Act 196 of 1997 has authorized investment in bonds and securities of the United States government, bank accounts and CD's, bankers' acceptances of United States banks, and mutual funds under the Investment Company Act of 1940, but not the remainder of State statutory authority as listed below:

Investment pools through an inter local agreement under the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967,

The investment pools organized under the Surplus Funds Investment Pool Act, 1982 PA 367, MCL 129.11 to 129.118

The Township's deposits and investments policy are in accordance with statutory authority.

At year-end, the Township's deposits were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

	Business-								
	Go	Governmental Activities		Governmental Type		Fiduciary			
				Activities		unds	Total		
								_	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	172,206	\$	15,115	\$	1,178	\$	188,499	

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

The bank balance of the Township's deposits is \$203,875, of which \$120,000 is covered by federal depository insurance, and \$83,875 is uninsured.

The Township believes that due to the dollar amounts of cash deposits and the limits of FDIC and NCUA insurance, it is impractical to insure all bank deposits. As a result, the Township evaluates each financial institution with which it deposits Township funds and assesses the level of risk of each institution; only those institutions with an acceptable estimated risk level are used as depositories.

Investments are normally categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Township; however, cash management funds are not categorized because they are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. Management believes the investments in the funds comply with the investment authority noted above.

NOTE D CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity of the primary government of the current year was as follows:

	Beginning						Ending		
<u>Class</u>	I	Balance	Increases		Decreases		Balance		
Governmental Activities Capital Assets not being depreciated Land	\$	658	\$	2,000	\$	-	\$	2,658	
Capital Assets being Depreciated Buildings	\$	45,368	\$	-	\$	-	\$	45,368	
Capital Assets being depreciated Equipment		-		1,351		-		1,351	
Less Accumulated Depreciation for Buildings		37,710		1,088		-		38,798	
Less Accumulated Depreciation for Equipment				45				45	
Net Capital Assets Being Depreciated		7,658		218				7,876	
Total Governmental Activities Capital Assets - Net of Depreciation	\$	8,316	\$	2,218	\$	-	\$	10,534	

Business-Type Activities

Capital Assets not being Depreciated Land	\$ 5,857	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,857
Capital Assets being Depreciated Buildings	33,862	-	-	\$ 33,862
Less Accumulated Depreciation for Buildings	9,463	871		\$ 10,335
Net Capital Assets Being Depreciated	 24,399	(871)		23,527
Total Business-Type Activities Capital Capital Assets - Net of Depreciation	\$ 30,256	\$ (871)	\$ 	\$ 29,384

Depreciation expense was charged to programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities	
Unallocated	\$ 1,133
Business-Type Activities	
Operating	\$ 871

NOTE E PENSION PLAN

The Township provides pension benefits to all of its elected officials through a defined contribution plan administered by Municipal Retirement Systems Incorporated. In a defined contribution plan, benefits depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings. The Township contributes 12% of each eligible employee's salary to the plan. Participants are not required to contribute to the plan. The Township's contributions for each employee (plus interest allocated to the employee's account) are fully vested immediately upon deposit of the contribution by the Township.

The Township's total payroll during the current year was \$71,046 and the total pension expense, including fees, was \$4,232 The Township's covered payroll amounted to \$42,909.

NOTE F RISK MANAGEMENT

The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets and omissions; and natural disasters for which the Township carries commercial insurance. Liabilities in excess of insurance coverage, if any, are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated.

Required Supplementary Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the General Fund For the Year Ended March 31, 2007

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with		
	Original	Final	Actual	Final Budget		
Beginning Year Fund Balance	\$ 143,190	\$ 143,190	\$ 143,190	\$ -		
Resources (Inflows)						
Property Taxes	42,638	42,638	48,794	6,156		
PTAF	16,000	16,000	15,617	(383)		
State Shared Revenue	57,502	57,502	56,701	(801)		
Cemetery Lot Sales	800	800	1,100	300		
Interest	1,200	1,200	1,600	400		
Refunds and Reimbursements	-	-	217	217		
Licenses and Permits	2,500	2,500	2,088	(412)		
Miscellaneous	3,300	3,300	3,897	597		
Amounts Available for Appropriation	267,130	267,130	273,204	6,074		
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows)						
General Government	98,700	99,264	83,985	15,279		
Public Works	12,000	12,000	6,272	5,728		
Community and Econ. Dev.	10,000	10,000	9,111	889		
Recreation and Cultural	1,500	1,500	1,500	-		
Other Functions	36,281	35,717	538_	35,179		
Total Charges to Appropriation	158,481	158,481	101,406	57,075		
Budgetary Fund Balance -						
March 31, 2007	\$ 108,649	\$ 108,649	\$ 171,798	\$ 63,149		

Required Supplementary Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the Fire Fund For the Year Ended March 31, 2007

	Budgeted	Amounts		Variance with Final Budget	
	<u>Original</u>	Final	Actual		
Beginning Year Fund Balance	\$ 4,010	\$ 4,010	\$ 4,010	\$ -	
Resources (Inflows) Property Taxes	27,569	27,569	28,691	1,122	
Amounts Available for Appropriation	31,579	31,579	32,701	1,122	
Charges to Appropriations (Outflows) Public Safety	25,000	25,000	25,000_		
Total Charges to Appropriation	25,000	25,000	25,000		
Budgetary Fund Balance - March 31, 2007	\$ 6,579	\$ 6,579	\$ 7,701	\$ 1,122	

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund For the Year Ended March 31, 2007

	I	Budget		Actual		vorable avorable)
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Revenues	ф	10 (20	Φ	40.704	ф	C 15C
Property Taxes	\$	42,638	\$	48,794	\$	6,156
Property Tax Administration Fee		16,000		15,617		(383)
State Shared Revenue		57,502		56,701		(801)
Cemetery Lot Sales		800		1,100		300
Interest on Investments		1,200		1,600		400
Refunds and Reimbursements		_		217		217
Licenses and Permits		2,500		2,088		(412)
Miscellaneous		3,300		3,897		597
Total Revenues		123,940		130,014		6,074
Expenditures						
General Government						
Township Board						
Salaries and Wages				3,600		
Taxes and Fringes				4,232		
Printing & Publishing				338		
Payroll Expense				4,370		
Professional Services				5,055		
Insurance and Bonds				4,366		
Transportation				106		
Telephone				139		
-01-p.10110		27,000		22,206		4,794
Supervisor						
Salaries and Wages				7,800		
Transportation				-		
		8,000		7,800		200
Elections						
Salaries and Wages				2,598		
Professional Services				447		
Printing and Publishing				25		
Supplies				24		
Transportation				133		
Miscellaneous				134		
2-12-0-1-12-0-40	\$	4,000	\$	3,361	\$	639

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in fund Balance - General Fund (continued)

Clerk						
Salaries and Wages - Clerk			\$	9,867		
- Deputy				633		
Office Supplies				735		
Transportation				361		
Professional Services				199		
Telephone				368		
Miscellaneous				250		
Capital Outlay				1,351		
	\$	13,764		13,764	\$	-
Treasurer						
Salaries and Wages - Clerk				9,655		
- Deputy				410		
Office Supplies				1,367		
Professional Services				2,503		
Software upgrades				767		
Mileage & Travel				100		
		15,000		14,802		198
Assessor						
Salaries and Wages				11,155		
Supplies Supplies				468		
Land Splits				250		
Software Upgrades				577		
Professional Services				363		
Trotessional Services		15,000		12,813		2,187
		15,000		12,013		2,107
Township Hall and Grounds				1.40		
Supplies				142		
Utilities				3,821		
Other Services and Charges				295		
Repairs and Maintenance				448		
Capital Outlay		10,000		4,706		5,294
		10,000		4,700		3,234
Board of Review				120		
Salaries and Wages				420		
Printing and Publishing				243		
Transportation				26		
Education & Training				388		
Miscellaneous	ф	1.500	ф.	1 125	Φ.	265
	\$	1,500	\$	1,135	\$	365

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in fund Balance - General Fund (continued)

Cemetery					
Professional Services			\$ 302		
Other Services and Charges			168		
Repairs and Maintenance			928		
Capital Outlay	¢.	5,000	 2,000	ф	1 (00
	\$	5,000	 3,398		1,602
Total General Government		99,264	83,985		15,279
Public Works					
Highways, Streets and Bridges					
Contracted Services			6,173		
Supplies			 99		
Total Public Works		12,000	6,272		5,728
Community and Economic Development					
Zoning					
Salaries and Wages			7,305		
Office Supplies			775		
Professional Services			37		
Printing and Publishing			704		
Transportation			150		
Education and Training			20		
Miscellaneous			 120		
Total Community and Econ. Dev.		10,000	9,111		889
Recreation and Culture					
Library		1,500	1,500		-
Other Functions					
Contingency		35,717	 538		35,179
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Total Expenditures		158,481	 101,406		57,075
Excess Revenues Over					
(Under) Expenditures	\$	(34,541)	28,608		63,149
Fund Balance - April 1, 2006			143,190		
Fund Balance - March 31, 2007			\$ 171,798		
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August 13, 2007

Mary Freye Claybanks Township Clerk 7577 W. Cleveland Road New Era, MI 49446

As a result of our recent examination of the books and records of your Township for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2007, enclosed please find:

- 1. Seven (7) copies of the audit report.
- 2. Seven (7) copies of the Comments and Recommendations letter.
- 3. Seven (7) copies of the Internal Control letter.
- 4. One (1) copy of Form F-65.
- 5. One (1) copy of the Auditing Procedures Report.

Should any questions arise on the enclosed materials, please call upon us.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jodi DeKuiper, CPA

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August 4, 2007

Township Board Claybanks Township

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New Era, MI 49309

Dear Board Members:

In connection with our recent examination of the Financial Statements of Claybanks Township for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2007, we offer the following comments and recommendations:

BOOKS AND RECORDS

The Clerk and Treasurer did a great job of maintaining complete, accurate, and well organized books and records. It was a pleasure working with both Diane and Dorothy during the engagement. We appreciate the courtesy extended to us during the course of the audit.

Chart of Accounts

The Michigan Department of Treasury issued an updated Uniform Chart of Accounts for Counties and Local Units of Government in 2002. Although the Township is properly recording the transactions and budgets, some of the accounts are using the previous account numbers. We recommend that the Township review the enclosed updated Uniform Chart of Accounts and make the necessary changes.

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<u>Cash</u>

The General Fund, Road Fund and the Fire Fund share a pooled checking account. Money from each fund can be combined into a single checking account; The township did a great job in separating and identifying the cash to each fund.

We would like to thank the board for the opportunity to provide your March 31, 2007 audit. We will be happy to assist in the implementation of any of the recommendations mentioned in this letter or answer any questions on concerns you may have. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Board Members, Big Prairie Township Newaygo County, New Era, MI

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Big Prairie Township as of and for the year ended March 31, 2007, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered Big Prairie Township's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Big Prairie Township's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affect the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We consider the following deficiencies to be significant deficiencies in internal control.

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Anti-Fraud Program

The Township has not adopted an Anti-Fraud Program as required by SAS 99.

Controls over Non-Routine and Non-Systematic Transactions

The Township does not have controls in place whereby adjusting journal entries are reviewed by individuals independent of the person initiating the transactions.

Controls over the Selection and Application of Accounting Principles that are in Conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

The Township currently does not have personnel available with sufficient expertise to select and apply the accounting principles necessary to prepare the financial statements and note disclosures contained in the audit report.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Respectfully submitted,

Hendon & Slate, P.C.

Certified Public Accountants

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August 3, 2007